

Remarks/Arguments

The application currently contains claims 1-48. Applicant wishes to present claims 1-20, 39-42 and 44-46 for further consideration. Claims 21-38, 43 and 47-48 are cancelled by the instant amendment. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications containing all or some of cancelled claims 21-38, 43 and 47-48. Claims 3-7, 10, 13-15, 19 and 41 are currently amended.

Amendments to the Specification

The specification has been amended in order to perfect priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(e). Paragraph [000], providing a statement including a specific relationship between the instant application and the domestic priority document, has been added after the title of the invention and above Field of the Invention. No new matter has been added.

The specification has been amended at page 14, 6th line in paragraph [0046]. In particular, the word “parallel” has been amended to read -- flat --. An example of support for this amendment is found at paragraph [0039], 8th line, which recites (emphasis added) “*flat* plate electrode 22.” No new matter has been added.

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 3-7, 10, 13-15, 19 and 41 have been amended in order to remove multiple dependencies. In particular:

Claims 3-7, 10 and 15 have each been amended to depend only from claim 1;

Claim 13 has been amended to depend only from claim 11;

Claim 14 has been amended to depend only from claim 10; and,

Claim 19 has been amended to depend only from claim 15.

Claim 10 has been further amended to correct an antecedent error. In particular, the expression "the first electrode stack" lacks proper antecedent basis and has accordingly been amended to read -- the electrode stack --. No new matter has been added.

Applicant looks forward to receiving favorable consideration of the instant application.

Please charge \$350.00 for seven (7) additional claims in excess of 20 (twenty) to Deposit Account No: 50-1142.

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